

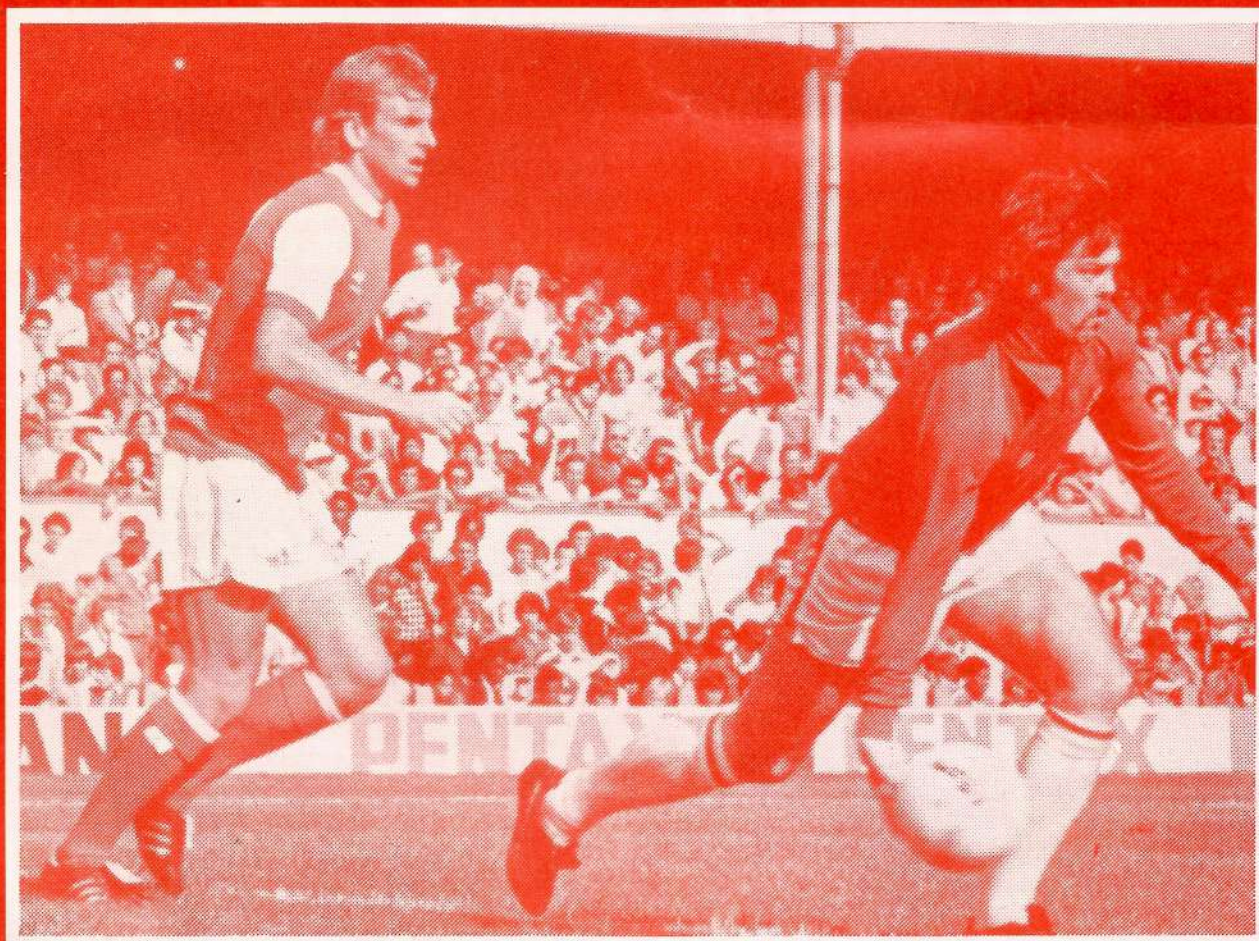
ARSENAL



V
AUSTRALIA
FRIENDLY



Tuesday, November 27, 1984
Kick-off 7.30 p.m.



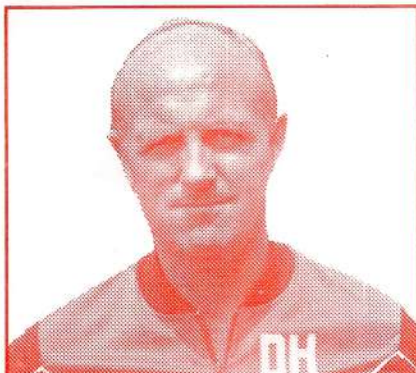
It's welcome back to Highbury tonight to Australian skipper John Kosmina (left). Arsenal fans will remember centre forward John playing for us in the late '70s . . . as in this game against Leeds in 1978. Now John plays for Sydney City and he's the most experienced member of the Australian squad with 65 appearances to his name.

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Introducing The



I'm expecting a very competitive friendly tonight. The Australians have achieved some good results on their European tour, and they're working hard towards reaching the 1986 World Cup finals.

We'll be starting with our strongest team available. We know we can experiment in a friendly like this, but we always want to win too.

AUSTRALIA'S WORLD CUP ASSAULT

MEXICO 1986 ... that's the big target for tonight's Australian squad!

The Australians have been matched with New Zealand, Israel and Thailand in their World Cup qualifying group. If they get through, they'll meet the runners-up of the group that includes Scotland and Spain — for a place in the Mexico finals.

The exploits of the Socceroos, as the team is known back home, have finally started to excite the Australian public — who've traditionally put Australian rules football, cricket and rugby league before football.

The Australians drew twice and lost only once in a tough home series against Bobby Robson's England squad in 1983 — in front of 30,000 plus crowds.

And the Socceroos met some notable European opposition — including Nottingham Forest and our own Viv Anderson — in a series of home matches this summer.

Their best result was a 2-0 success against European Cup Winners' Cup holders and Italian champions Juventus on June 16.

Juventus included Poland's superstar Zbigniew Boniek, plus five of Italy's World Cup-winning side!

The Australians played 18 matches in the summer to start their World Cup build-up. Then they embarked on a six week tour — comprising four matches in China and nine against European sides.

The Aussies have already beaten Manchester City 3-1, and drawn 0-0 with Forest, during their stay in England.

After tonight's match, they fly off to Italy to face Udinese, and Brazil's Zico.

National coach Frank Arok knows his team will only learn by playing hard games against experienced opponents.

And who better to meet on such a tour than Arsenal?

TERRY GREEDY (St George)

Age: 29. International games: 16. Goalkeeper. Courageous and agile goalkeeper with safe hands. Cool under pressure and has good anticipation. Made his international debut against England last year and has been a regular ever since.

ANTHONY FRANKEN (Canberra Arrows)

Age: 19. International games: 5. One of the big successes of the Mexico World Youth Cup Finals series. Rated the best goalkeeper of the series, following some brilliant performances against Mexico, Scotland and South Korea.

ANTHONY PEZZANO (Sydney City)

Age: 24. International games: 2. A young goalkeeper who has won his recognition through hard work and dedication. Very strong in the air, he has a safe pair of hands and good anticipation.

WALTER SAVOR (Sydney Croatia)

Age: 25. This is Walter's first tour with the national team. He can play in midfield or as a striker.

CHARLIE YANKOS (Heidelberg United)

Age: 23. International games: 17. A strong sweeper who came to the fore in last year's series against England. He can play anywhere in defence and filled in at right-back during Australia's successful Merlion Cup campaign in December 1983.

STEVE O'CONNOR (Sydney City)

Age: 29. International games: 21. Stopper. Steve is one of the hardest men to pass in the National Soccer League. Dominating in the air and strong on the ground, he is the lynch-pin of the Sydney City defence.

DAVID RATCLIFF (St George)

Age: 27. International games: 20. Probably the most consistent performer in Australian club football. Ratcliffe made his name on the international front in some memorable clashes with England's Trevor Francis in last year's series.

MIKE O'SHEA (St George)

Age: 24. International games: 7. A strong central defender, very consistent and dedicated. He's a recent addition to the national squad.

JOE WATSON (Sydney City)

Age: 32. International games: 18. A midfielder-cum-winger who has talent to burn. Despite his small stature he is one of the most penetrative players in the Australian game.

KEN MURPHY (South Melbourne)

Age: 28. International games: 13. A strong attacking midfielder with great experience. Blossomed onto the national scene in the series against England and hasn't looked back.

PETER RASKOPOULOS (Sydney Olympic)

Age: 22. International games: 13. A midfielder with a fine consistent record who has played in the National Soccer League for Olympic since he was 15.

TOMMY McCULLOCH (Marconi)

Age: 20. International games: 2. A youngster with a big future ahead of him. Plays in midfield and has great vision and is an excellent passer of the ball.

IAN GRAY (Leichhardt)

Age: 21. International games: 2. One of the young lions of Australian football, he's a youngster who has come to the fore this season with some sterling displays in midfield for his club.

GRAHAM JENNINGS (Sydney Olympic)

Age: 24. International games: 14. A former Australian youth international, he started out as a left winger, before being converted to left back. He's scored 10 goals in his international appearances.

JOHN O'SHEA (St George)

Age: 27. International games: 9. A hard working midfielder who has been one of the most consistent performers in the National Soccer League for many years.

ALEX ROBERTSON (Sydney City)

Age: 30. International games: 2. A newcomer to the national scene. He's an experienced defender who can fill any position.

OSCAR CRINO (South Melbourne)

Age: 22. International games: 4. A brilliant ball player who starred in the sweeper role for the Young Socceroos in the 1981 World Youth Cup Finals series.



Alex Robertson



Oscar Crino



Socceroos

JOHN KOSMINA (Sydney City)
Age: 30. International games: 65.
is over 50 caps and has played in two World
Cup campaigns with the Socceroos. Also
spent a season in the English First Division
with the Arsenal. Great goal-scoring ability.

MARSHALL SOPER (Sydney Olympic)
Age: 24. International games: 9.
is one of the most dynamic and exciting strikers
in the National Soccer League scene. He can
take up the slightest opportunity, and rip open
defence with an electrifying turn of speed.

PHIL O'CONNOR (Blacktown City)
Age: 31. International games: 29.
Originally from Luton Town, he has played for

a variety of clubs in the National Soccer
League. He usually plays up front.

FRANK FARINA (Canberra Arrows)
Age: 20. International games: 7.
Another star of last year's World Youth Cup
Finals. He became Australia's hero when he
scored the equalising goal against Mexico in
front of a capacity 110,000 crowd at the Aztec
Stadium.

CHARLES EGAN (South Melbourne Hellas)
Age: 25. International games: 9.
A striker who knows the way to goal. Despite
being small he can still win the ball in the air.
Has good vision and can make space well
against tight marking.

TEAM OFFICIALS AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SQUAD

BRIAN EMERY — EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Australian Soccer Federation

ANDREW LEDERER — TEAM MANAGER

FRANK AROK — NATIONAL COACH

EDDIE THOMSON — ASSISTANT COACH

Dr SIRI KANANGARA — TEAM DOCTOR

CHARLIE JURISIC — PHYSIOTHERAPIST

ROY THOMAS — GEAR STEWARD



Terry Greedy



Tony Franken



Tony Pezzano



Walter Savor



Charles Yankos



Steve O'Connor



David Ratcliffe



Mike O'Shea



Joe Watson



Ken Murphy



Peter Raskopoulos



Tom McCulloch



Ian Gray



Graham Jennings



John O'Shea



John Kosmina



Marshall Soper



Phil O'Connor



Frank Farina



Charles Egan

THE TEAMS

will be selected from the following

ARSENAL

Red and White

Numbers to be announced

PAT JENNINGS
JOHN LUKIC
VIV ANDERSON
COLIN HILL
KENNY SANSOM
TONY ADAMS
DAVID O'LEARY
TOMMY CATON
MARTIN KEOWN
MICHAEL THOMAS
BRIAN TALBOT
STEWART ROBSON
PAUL DAVIS
DAVID CORK
CHARLIE NICHOLAS
IAN ALLINSON
MARTIN HAYES
BRIAN McDERMOTT
PAUL MARINER
RAPHAEL MEADE
TONY WOODCOCK
TERRY LEE

AUSTRALIA

Yellow and Green

*Squad
No.*

1. TERRY GREEDY
2. WALTER SAVOR
3. GRAHAM JENNINGS
4. CHARLIE YANKOS
5. DAVID RATCLIFFE
6. STEVE O'CONNOR
7. JOE WATSON
8. MARSHALL SOPER
9. JOHN KOSMINA
10. KEN MURPHY
11. PHIL O'CONNOR
12. ALEX ROBERTSON
13. IAN GRAY
14. MIKE O'SHEA
15. JOHN O'SHEA
16. TOMMY McCULLOUGH
17. PETER RASKOPOULOS
18. FRANK FARINA
19. CHARLES EGAN
20. OSCAR CRINO
21. ANTHONY PEZZANO
22. ANTHONY FRANKEN

Tonight's officials have been appointed by the North Middlesex Referees' Society.

COMING GAMES AT HIGHBURY

Saturday, December 1

v LUTON TOWN

Canon League Division One

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

Saturday, December 8

v QUEENS PARK RANGERS

Football Combination

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

Tonight's programme was edited by KEVIN CONNOLLY,
and printed and designed by Maybank Press, Hainault, Essex.